The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

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I am requesting funding for the MPCC CDL Training Facility in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Mid-Plains Community College located at 1101 Halligan Drive, North Platte, Nebraska 69101. The funding would be used to construct an expansive, paved training range where CDL students can safely practice field-based maneuvers. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports a top, in-need occupation in the region (CDL drivers) which supports many other critical sectors. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Adrian Smith

Member of Congress